Reserve

App. F. IX-4

1934-35 (CB)

File No. 108/34

Previous References
CB 24-5-1 L
CB 153-18-1 (C.C. & R. 95 Vol I)
CB 46-2-1

Serial Nos. 1 L

Later References.
CB 111-42-1 and 3-5

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1 L

Part B for January 1935

SUBJECT.

Representation of Govt. P. & Agriculturists

Mrs

WD 01965—GPB—15,000—7-7-34

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Subd with the previous reference.

In 1925 Mr Gopalaraj has represented that he may be restored to his original appointment. But he was given only a pension of Rs 50 p.m. His prayer for reinstatement or grant of a pension of Rs 2000/- per annum from date of his resignation and also a lump sum grant of Rs 15000/- was also rejected.

His prayer for alteration to his appointment or for grant of pension enough to give decent education to his children is for order

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WD 01955—GPB—22,500—12-6-34

Representation of Mr. P. Gopalaraj Urs

File No. of 193 | General and Revenue Secretariat

Mr P. Gopalaraj Urs was appointed Rev. Probr in Oct 1910 & Prob. Asst. Comr in 1914, and was an Asst. Comr V class in 1919-20, drawing a pay of Rs 250 p.m. ~~His services~~ He was compelled to leave the service & his resignation was accepted in G.O.d. 21.2.1920 - (i.e. after a service of about 9 years). ✕ ✕ Hs L

For ~~reasons~~ the circumstances that led up to this reference is invited to the discussions in C.B. 157-18. - Hs M, A & K

In 1925, he submitted a memorial praying for restoration to his appointment. This was not ~~accepted~~ acceded do, but a pension of Rs 50/- p.m from 1.12.1925 was sanctioned. Hs S. & N.

In 1927, he submitted another memorial praying for restoration to service, or a higher pension of Rs 200 from date of resignation & a lumpsum grant of Rs 15,000. This was filed as no action was considered necessary. Hs O.

He has now petitioned again repeating restoration to service, or a pension enough to give a decent education to his children etc (He is now 50 years old)

Submd. for orders re: action if any to be taken

(Cfd 9.1.35)

CHIEF SECRETARIAT 9 JAN. 1935

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Representation of Mr. P Gopalaraj Urs

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DEWAN'S OFFICE
11 JAN 1935
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CHIEF SECRETARY
11 JAN 1935

Draft reply put up as directed
(Not acc'd to Personal instructions)
For appl
CGR 11/1/35

Dewan — RR 11/1/35

MS 12-1-35

DSS RR 21/1/35

No. 5381 D) 12.1.35
Mr Gopalaraj Urs Esq
Westlynne, Vani Vilas Road Mysore
State, that it is not possible to comply
with either his proposals that the matter
should be considered as finally closed so
far as Govt are concerned

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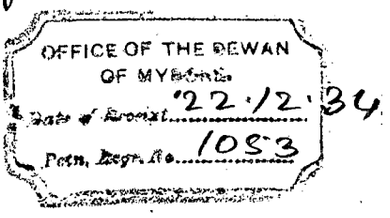
General and Revenue Secretariat

CB 1047

CB 108-84-1



To

Amin-ul-mulk SIR MIRZA MAHAMMAD ISMAIL,
Kt., C.I.E., O.B.E.

Dewan of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

I most respectfully beg to appeal to you and through you to the gracious magnanimity of His Highness the Maharaja for a most merciful consideration of my case and for my restoration to service in His Highness' Government. The circumstances that led to the termination of my service being well-known to you, Sir, it is unnecessary to re-iterate them.

None of my superior Officers had at any time anything to say against me regarding the discharge of my official duties. The report I submitted to the Government after my return from deputation to Japan, embodying proposals and estimates for the starting of a number of Cottage Industries--information and specimens collected at considerable expense and trouble--will show the zeal and enthusiasm with which I was discharging my official duties. I may be pardoned for also inviting your kind attention to the accompanying two certificates from two well-known Officers under whom I had the privilege to serve.

The only fault found in me, for which I was compelled to resign, is an act which has been in several instances recognised by the Government as perfectly un-objectionable and in consonance with the officer's due discharge of all public duties. In fact, some of the high Officers who acted in the same manner have been held in the highest regard by the Government and they contine to hold their high and responsible appointments. What was considered a fault was only that I took a second wife out-side my community. But I beg to submit that whatever religious or social objections there might have been to it, were overcome by the formal and open celebration of the marriage under religious rites

rites, which was also what the Government suggested to me to do. This marriage has been duly recognised by the Society at large as also by my people, and I have been living, respected by society with my wife and children for the past fourteen years like all men in the world.

At the time I was compelled to resign, I did not deem it expedient to further memorialize the Government though I was fully inclined to do so and though I felt very strongly also that the punishment meted out to me by Government was too severe, and I dutifully submitted, confident that the benign Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore would reconsider the severity of the punishment for what may be termed an indiscretion, if at all, on my part and would restore me to my appointment.

With this strong belief in my mind, I set up practice as a Vakil in Coimbatore under various difficulties in an utterly foreign country, even the language of which was and is unknown to me. But the severance from my early associations and service under my Sovereign, acting as a canker was eating into my heart, giving me no peace of mind for earnest work in the new but un-congenial surroundings.

In 1925, after a lapse of five years, I implored His Highness' pardon and prayed that I may be restored to my appointment, so that I might realise my constant ambition to serve His Highness and His state. But the Government of His Highness, while not prepared to consider my prayer for re-instatement in service, granted me a life pension of a small sum of Rs.50/- per mensem and graciously observed that "in ordering this, His Highness has had regard to the special circumstances of his case".

Such a noble expression of the sentiment, so characteristic and true to the motto of the Royal Family of Mysore, consoled me not a little and gladdened my heart--a heart aching with the keen disappointment of the ambition of my life. Yet the forced uprooting from my native soil and early associations and relations, and the frustration of my life's ambition of serving His Highness the Maharaja and His State have not abated in the least even

even after the lapse of fourteen years. On the other hand, they have become all the more accute and the expectation of my being forgiven by my liege-lord and Sovereign and re-instated in His service, has become all the more keen.

Added to these is the calamity of a world-wide depression resulting in the falling off in the income in the profession half-heartedly taken to, creating in me at the age of fifty, an apprehension about the maintaining of a family consisting of children of school-going age.

But recent Royal favours shown in the restoration to me of the privileges of my community--for which I cannot find words to express adequately my gratitude--emboldens me to once more approach His Highness the Maharaja, fully confident of your kind and strong support, with this appeal for mercy and considerate treatment of my case.

(1) I pray most respectfully that I may be restored to the service of His Highness' Government, so that the few years that are left to me to serve, may be devoted entirely to the service of my Sovereign and His State.

If this is not possible, I beg that considering the extreme suffering I have undergone, mentally, physically and pecuniarily all these fourteen years, I may be granted a pension enough to (2) give a decent education to my children to make them useful citizens of the State and also to enable me to maintain myself during the rest of my life.

With my profound devotion and loyalty to His Highness' Throne, Person and His Highness Government,

I remain,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

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'Westlynne', Vani Vilas Road,
Mysore, Dated

Mr. P. Gopal Raj Urs was Amildar and afterwards Civil Officer under me when I was Dy. Commissioner of the Bangalore District. As Amildar he did a very great amount of good work in effecting Village Improvements, constructing wells and starting schools with the aid of a very large sum in contributions from the people of the Taluk.

As Civil Officer, he showed tact and judgment. I consider him to possess considerable executive and administrative capacity.

Redcliffe, Bangalore,
23-1-1924.

(Sd.) K. Chandy.

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Mysore, 25-4-1920.

This is to certify that Mr. P. Gopal Raj Urs, B.A., B.L., was an Assistant Commissioner under me last year for nearly a year and that his character and conduct were good.

His resignation was due to a marriage with a Parsee lady.

(Sd.) C. Venkata Rao,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug,
On leave, Mysore State.

C.S. 1047

Pet. No. 105-3

OFFICE OF THE DEWAN OF MYSORE,

Dated 22 : 12 : 1934

The accompanying petition addressed to the Dewan is forwarded, with compliments, to the Chief Secretary to Government.

R.L
24/12/34.

By Order,

Private Secretary to the Dewan.

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To

P. Gopalaraj Urs, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
"Westlynne",
Vani Vilas Road,
Mysore.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your petition dated the 19th December 1934 to the address of the Dewan, praying that you may be taken back to service or granted a higher pension, I am desired to state that it is not possible to comply with either of your requests. The matter should be considered as finally closed so far as Govt. are concerned. Yours faithfully,

R.
11/1/35.

Chief Secretary.

Confirmed
RK
11/1/35.

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CS 108-34-2

12th January 1935.

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Yours faithfully,

RG
12/1/35

P. Gopalaraj Urs Esq., B.A., B.L.,
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